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REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for the personal interview conducted on February 23, 2004. The above amendments to the claims are made to clarify that the claims do not read on a crystal comprising isomers a+b/c which have a ratio of 50/50 and which have a single melting point peak at 93°C. Although such a 50/50 mixture was already excluded by the previously amended claims, the Examiner suggested that such a further amendment would clarify that the material disclosed in Peppiatt in Table 2 thereof is not included in the claims. This limitation is supported by Comparative Example 1 in the present application which begins on page 43, line 12 of the specification.

For the foregoing reasons, and for the reasons submitted in applicants previous response, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance issue for the present case.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the Gerald M. Murphy, Jr. (Reg. No. 28,977) at the telephone number below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

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overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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